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News Release

MEZZANINE GALLERY—PASSAGE TO INDIA BY YOLANDA CHETWYND

(Wilmington, Delaware—April 20, 2006)—Newark artist, Yolanda Chetwynd, will be exhibiting her paintings and masks in the Delaware Division of the Arts Mezzanine Gallery in the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington, from May 3–26, 2006. There will be a reception to meet the artist on Friday, May 5 from 5–8 p.m. during Wilmington's Art Loop.

Chetwynd is presenting work from a series of paintings that are the product of multiple visits to India over the past twenty years. During her visits, she sketches scenes of everyday life. The colorful clothing, bright jewelry, exotic flowers and foods inspire her work. Her love of the culture is expressed in the beautiful, sun-drenched color palette and the harmonious play of figure and landscape.

Recently completed masks will also be a part of Chetwynd's exhibit. She creates the masks from the waste materials of modern life including garbage bags, styrofoam packing materials, and bottle caps.

Chetwynd currently teaches at The College School, University of Delaware and as a resident teacher for the Delaware Institute for Arts in Education. She received her MPS in Art Therapy from the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York, and her MFA from The Slade, University College, London, England.

The Mezzanine Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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